



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: David A. Foti *et al.*

Application number: 09/518,287

Filed: March 3, 2000

For: *METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ACCESSING
EXTERNALLY-DEFINED OBJECTS FROM AN ARRAY-
BASED MATHEMATICAL COMPUTING ENVIRONMENT*

Attorney Docket No.: MWS-064

Art Unit: 2126

Examiner: Truong, LeChi

RECEIVED

AUG 02 2004

Technology Center 2100

MS AF
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as Express Mail, Airbill No. EL 981581807 US, in an envelope addressed to: MS AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date shown below.

Dated: July 26, 2004

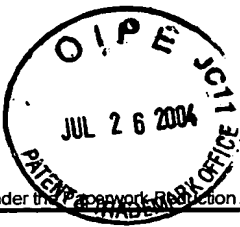
Signature: Christopher J. McKenna (Christopher J. McKenna)

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Response is filed responsive to the final Office action dated June 1, 2004 (Paper No. 18). Claims 1-34 were presented for examination. Claims 1-34 stand rejected. Thus, claims 1-34 are presently pending in this application. The following comments address all stated grounds of rejection. Applicants respectfully urge the Examiner to pass the claims to allowance in view of the comments set forth below.



07-28-04

AF
2126
61

PTO/SB/21 (04-04)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

TRANSMITTAL FORM (to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)	Application Number	09/518287-Conf. #6548
	Filing Date	March 3, 2000
	First Named Inventor	David A. FOT
	Art Unit	2126
	Examiner Name	L. Truong
Total Number of Pages in This Submission	Attorney Docket Number	MWS-064

RECEIVED

AUG 02 2004

Technology Center 2100

ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form	<input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance communication to Technology Center (TC)
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached	<input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply	<input type="checkbox"/> Petition	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to TC (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> After Final	<input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application	<input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information
<input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation Change of Correspondence Address	<input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter
<input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request	<input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please Identify below):
<input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request	<input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund	Return receipt postcard
<input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement	<input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s) _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts/ Incomplete Application		
<input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53		
Remarks		

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT	
Firm or Individual name	LAHIVE & COCKFIELD, LLP Christopher J. McKenna - 53,302
Signature	<i>Christopher J. McKenna</i>
Date	July 26, 2004

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as Express Mail, Airbill No. EL981581807US, in an envelope addressed to: MS AF Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date shown below.

Dated: July 26, 2004

Signature: *Christopher J. McKenna* (Christopher J. McKenna)